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Town Government.

OFFICERS ELECTED BIENNIALLY.

Terms expire November, 1898.

Moderator,

BENJ. R. JEWELL.

Supervisors of Check List,

GEORGE B. PALMER, SMITH N. WELCH,
JAMES M. CARR.

OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY.

Terms expire March 9, 1897.

Town Clerk,

GEORGE M. BUXTON.

Selectmen,

*BENJAMIN R. JEWELL, EUGENE NOYES, DAYTON KILLAM.

Treasurer,

FRANK M. JEWELL.

Collector,

SMITH N. WELCH.

Auditors,

JACOB EATON, FRANK O. TOWLE, GEORGE B. PALMER.

School Board, Elected for Three Years,

FRANK O. TOWLE, Chairman, . Term expires 1897.
GRACE E. EVANS, Secretary, . Term expires 1898.
MARY O. PALMER, Treasurer, . Term expires 1899.

Trustees of Public Library, Elected for Three Years,

BENJ. R. JEWELL, Chairman, . Term expires 1899.
LIZZIE H. FORSAITH, Treasurer, . Term expires 1898.
MARY E. JEWELL, Secretary, . Term expires 1897.

Cemetery Trustees, Elected for Three Years,

GEORGE M. BUXTON, Town Clerk, ex officio.
JAMES M. CARR, ... Term expires 1897.
JOSEPH J. J. SAWYER, . . . Term expires 1897.

Road Agents,

JAMES H. FLOYD, EDGAR W. WYMAN. JOSEPH C. EVANS.

*Resigned November 4, 1896.

Special Report of the Selectmen.

At the last annual town meeting the Selectmen by a nearly unanimous vote were instructed to give special attention to the enforcement of the laws relating to morality, chastity and temperance. The posting in different parts of the town of a copy of its vote should have been sufficient to have caused the abandonment of any business that conflicted therewith by any and all law abiding citizens. But such was not the case, and Alphons Pillerin and James W. Downing still continued their illegal business and practically defied the public sentiment of the town and the laws of the state. The first complaint was made against James W. Downing in March last with the request that the search should not be made except on Saturday evening or Sunday. For some unexplained reason the officers came two days earlier in the week than we requested, and no liquors were found upon the premises by the officers. It was evident that the business was being conducted with adroitness, secresy, watchfulness, and sympathising friends and criminal associates were aiding him in nullifying the law. His place had to be under surveillance for several weeks, but finally a successful search was had, yet he pleaded not guilty. When indicted by the grand jury he plead guilty for the same offence that he plead not guilty for in May. This one circumstance made an additional expense to the town. The closing of the Rose cottage (so called) cost the town more than fifty dollars.

The first complaint made against Mr. Pillerin was in April and the search was successful. His place was notorious as a Sunday resort. He plead guilty when arraigned. The total expense, including the bill of John H. Smith not yet paid, will not exceed thirty-five dollars.

Had Mr. Downing and Mr. Pillerin abandoned their unlawful business when the town took action last year the only cost would have been the printing of its vote, $1.35.

The fire inquest was a special expense, and if two of the Selectmen had not been interested parties the investigation would have been far more searching than it was, whatever might have been the expense to the town.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. R. JEWELL,
EUGENE NOYES,
DAYTON KILLAM,
Selectmen of South Hampton.

Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION BY SELECTMEN, APRIL 1, 1896.

1896.		NO.	
April 1.	Acres land, valuation with buildings	4980⅓	$173720 00
	Polls assessed	94	9400 00
	Horses	122	4673 00
	Oxen	22	1105 00
	Cows	145	3586 00
	Sheep	24	104 00
	Hogs	4	40 00
	Fowls	208	104 00
	Carriages	14	820 00
	Mills	2	1100 00
	Buildings	1	50 00
	Stock in trade		2485 00
	Money at interest		1635 00
			$198822 00

Valuation of residents	$153462 00
" " non-residents	45360 00
	$198822 00

Acres owned by residents	3459¾
" " non-residents	1520 7-12
	4980⅓

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax	$ 400 00
County tax	421 76
Town tax	450 00
School tax	500 00
School supplies tax	50 00
Schoolhouse tax	40 00
Library tax	50 00
Highway tax	496 55
Overlay percentage	57 08
	$2465 39

SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS.

Received from Solon A. Carter, State Treasurer, railroad tax	$ 1 97
Solon A. Carter, savings bank tax	81 37
" " literary fund	47 60
James H. Floyd, road agent, old bridge plank	1 50
James M. Carr, grass on common	50
	$132 94

Cash paid Frank M. Jewell, Treasurer $132 94

Expenses.

SCHOOLS, SCHOOLHOUSES AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid	Mary O. Palmer, Treasurer of School Board, literary fund	$ 47 60
	Dog license money as per report of 1896	46 50
	School tax	500 00
	School supplies	50 00
	Schoolhouse tax	40 00
		$684 10

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid	Solon A. Carter, state tax	$400 00
	Arthur L. Emerson, county tax	421 76
		$821 76

FIRE INQUEST.

Paid	Arthur Q. Richardson, detective	$ 39 08
	Witnesses (21 persons)	20 25
	Marion Clark, stenographer and typewriter	25 00
	John D. Young, legal services	25 75
	Amesbury Daily News, advertising reward	10 50
	J. E. Brierly, printing reward posters	1 00
	Eugene Noyes, time and expenses	3 75
	Dayton Killam, time and expenses	5 25
	Benj. R. Jewell, time and expenses	5 25
		$135 83

LIQUOR CASES.

Paid	J. E. Brierly, printing vote of town	$ 1 35
	John O'Neil, special police officer	12 30
	Edwin G. Kelly, special police officer	10 00
	Dayton Killam, " " "	12 00
	George W. Cate, legal services at trials	10 00
	Eugene Noyes, services and expenses	7 49
	Edgar W. Wyman, police officer	2 00
	Benj. R. Jewell, 14 days time and expenses	6 00
	Robert Scott, sheriff	11 86
		$73 00

HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS.

Paid	Geo. Tyler & Co., repairs on road machine (1895)	$ 8 00
	Roscoe H. Morrill, on account of rebate	14 84
	Samuel M. Prescott, road agent 1895-6	4 20
	James H. Floyd, road agent	186 57
	Edgar W. Wyman, road agent	134 33
	Joseph C. Evans, road agent	160 76
		$508 70

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid	Smith N. Welch, collector	$ 50 00
	Dayton Killam, selectman	22 50
	Eugene Noyes, "	21 22
	Benj. R. Jewell, "	21 00
	Frank M. Jewell, treasurer	20 00
	George M. Buxton, clerk	19 54
	Mary O. Palmer, treasurer school board	15 00
	Eva M. Jewell and B. M. Carr, librarians	15 00
	Frank O. Towle, chairman school board	10 00
	Smith N. Welch, sexton	8 00
	Samuel T. Woodman, supervisor	6 00
	George B. Palmer, supervisor	6 00
	Smith N. Welch, supervisor	6 00
	Eugene Noyes, overseer of the poor	4 49
		$224 75

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Paid	J. E. Brierly, printing town reports for 1896	$27 90
	Moses H. Sargent, selectmen's cash book	1 50
	James H. Batchelder, collector's book	1 50
	J. E. Brierly, printing tax bills	2 25
	George F. King & Merrill, office stationery	2 77
		$35 92

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid	George H. Briggs, insurance school houses	$ 32 00
	Jacob Eaton and J. W. Smith, support of watering trough	3 00
	John O. P. Clifford, support of watering trough	3 00
	Mrs. E. A. Follansbee, supplies for selectmen's office	24
	Mrs. L. H. Forsaith, treasurer library trustees	50 00
	Dayton Killam, hauling and fitting wood	1 25
	Dayton Killam, bounty on hawks	4 25
	Eugene Noyes, keys for selectmen	75
	Benj. R. Jewell, treasurer interest on Barnard school note	120 00
	Benj. R. Jewell, wood for town house	1 75
	Benj. R. Jewell, police badges	2 00
		$218 24

ABATEMENTS AND DISCOUNTS.

Paid	Roscoe H. Morrill, excessive valuation	$ 2 48
	A. J. Currier, Col., tax of John W. Downing, 1892	3 05
	" " " " Lewis S. Downing, "	1 45
	" " " " Charles S. White, "	1 45
	" " " " George Hull, "	1 45
	" " " " F. C. Whiting, "	1 45
	Smith N. Welch, Col., tax of Noel Pinard, 1893	87
	" " " " Lewis S. Downing, 1894	1 12
	Smith N. Welch, Col., tax of James W. Downing, 1894	1 12

Paid Smith N. Welch, Col., tax of Jane Lee, excessive valuation	$ 2 48
Smith N. Welch, Col., tax of John C. Whitcomb, loss of horse	80
Smith N. Welch, Col., tax of Joseph Yell	46
" " " discount 3 % on $935.50	28 06
	$46 24

RECAPITULATION.

For Schools, schoolhouses and school supplies	$ 684 10
State and county taxes	821 76
Fire inquest	135 83
Liquor cases	73 00
Highway accounts	508 70
Town officers	224 75
Printing and stationery	35 92
Miscellaneous	218 24
Abatements and discount	46 24
	$2748 54

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Receipts.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1896	$ 33 86
Total receipts during the year	2291 19
	$2325 05

Disbursements.

Total disbursements during the year	$2748 54

General Receipts.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1896	$ 33 86
Taxes from collectors	2158 25
Savings bank tax	81 37
Railroad tax	1 97
Literary fund	47 60
Grass on Barnard square	50
Old bridge plank	1 50
	$2325 05

Deficit	$423 49

Assets.

Due from the state, bounty on hawks	$ 4 25
Smith N. Welch, collector, 1894	16 99
" " " 1895	249 58
" " " 1896	584 89
Available assets	$855 71
Deficit	423 49
Balance in favor of town	$432 22

Liabilities.

Barnard school fund note	$2000 00
Balance brought forward	432 22
Town debt	$1567 78

EUGENE NOYES, }
DAYTON KILLAM, } Selectmen of South Hampton.

NOTE.

Since closing the books three bills have been presented which meet with our approval, viz: John H. Smith, police officer and special officer in liquor cases, $29.25; Newburyport Daily News, advertising fire reward, $6.75. Total amount of bills for which orders have not been drawn, $36.00.

Road Agents' Report.

Whole amount received from town	$481 66
Paid George B. Palmer, 93½ hours	14 03
" " 93 hours, team	23 25
" " for gravel	2 85
Wallace B. Morrill, 92 1-5 hours	13 83
Robie Smith, 40 hours	6 00
Frank E. Welch, 73 hours	10 95
John H. Smith, 29 hours	4 35
Fred O. Smith, 48 hours	7 20
Joseph W. Follansbee, 13 hours	1 95
" " 10 hours, horse	1 25
Ira Downing, 18 hours, 12½	2 25
Benj. R. Jewell, 143 loads of gravel	7 15
Charles Floyd, 131½ hours	19 72
" " 120 hours, team	30 00
Roscoe H. Morrill, bridge plank, 483 ft. at 16.	7 73
H. H. Bean & Sons, 20 ft. drain pipe	2 70
Joseph W. Stockman, 7 hours	1 05
Rufus Floyd, 14¾ hours	2 22
James H. Floyd, 128½ hours	19 27
William H. Collins, 3 hours	45
James E. Taylor, 2 hours	30
Horace West, 3 hours	45
Albert P. Eaton, 3 9-10 hours	1 55
George M. Buxton, 11 hours	1 65
James M. Carr, 8½ hours	1 28
Frank M. Jewell, 4½ hours	67
John W. Forsaith, 4½ hours	67
Frank H. Currier, 7½ hours	1 13
Charles Brummitt, 4½ hours	67
Joseph C. Evans, 10 hours with team	4 00
John O. P. Clifford, 6 10-11 hours with team	1 90
" " 39 hours	5 85

Paid John W. Smith, 13½ hours with team	$ 3	71
" " 5 hours		75
Dayton Killam, laying water course	3	00
James W. Purinton, 30 hours	4	50
George B. Palmer, 10 hours with team	4	00
John H. Smith, 32⅙ hours with team	12	87
Peter McKin, 10 hours	1	50
Arthur M. French, 10 hours	1	00
Frank E. Welch, 41 hours	6	15
S. M. Prescott, 149½ hours	22	42
Edgar W. Wyman, 117 3-10 hours with team	46	92
Frank E. Honnor, 6 hours		90
Charles W. Merrill, 6 hours		90
Henry J. Hutchins, 6 hours		90
Hiram P. Smith, 6 hours		90
Fred Merrill, 4 hours		40
H. H. Bean & Sons, drain pipe	11	60
E. W. Wyman, 4 lb. spikes		16
John C. Evans, 15 hours	2	25
" " 20 hours, oxen	4	00
" " 23 hours, horses	5	75
Harry W. Evans, 25 hours	3	75
" " 15 hours, oxen	3	00
John W. Evans, 91 2-5 hours	13	75
" " 97 hours, oxen	19	40
" " 10 hours, horses	2	50
Gideon W. Evans, 25 hours	3	75
Charles M. Evans, 84 hours	12	60
" " 25 hours with horses	6	25
Eugene Noyes, Jr., 10½ hours	1	58
Harry W. Brown, 23 hours	3	45
Clarence Hunt, 12 hours	1	20
Frank O. Towle, 5 hours, (1896)		75
" " 1 hour		15
Horace M. Brown, 7 hours	1	05
F. F. Perry, 5½ hours, team, (1896)	1	38
" " 8½ hours, (1896)	1	27

Paid John H. Hunt, 4 hours, (1896)	$ 60
" " 3½ hours	53
Otis W. Towle, 4 hours	60
" " 7½ hours. (1896)	1 13
Clarence Merrill, 30 hours, 80 cents	24 00
H. H. Bean & Sons, drain pipe	12 38
Joseph C. Evans, 7½ hours, (1896)	1 13
" " 144 hours	21 60
" " 25 hours, horse	6 25
Orin Chase, 12 loads gravel	1 20
" 14 1-5 hours	2 13
" 5½ hours, horse	1 38
	$481 66

JAMES H. FLOYD,
EDGAR W. WYMAN,
JOSEPH C. EVANS,
} Road Agents of South Hampton.

Collector's Report.

The amount committed for collection by the selectmen as per warrant—Resident taxes	$1902 93
Non-resident taxes	562 46
Total amount committed to collector	$2465 39
Amount collected before Aug. 1, 1896	$ 935 50
Discount for prompt payment	28 06
Whole amount of taxes collected and paid treasurer	2145 10
Balance of taxes uncollected 1894	$ 16 99
Balance of taxes uncollected 1895	249 58
Balance of taxes uncollected 1896	584 89
Balance uncollected and now due	$851 46

Respectfully submitted,

SMITH N. WELCH, Collector.

Treasurer's Report.

For the Year Ending Feb., 1897.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1896	$ 33 86
Received of A. J. Currier, collector for 1891	1 12
" " " 1892	12 03
Smith N. Welch " 1893	3 97
" " " 1894	39 63
" " " 1895	221 00
" " " 1896	1880 50
Selectmen	132 94
Total received	$2325 05
Paid agreeably to selectmen's orders	2450 59
Deficit	125 54
Outstanding orders	297 95
Total deficit	$423 49

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1896	$ 46 50
Received of George M. Buxton, town clerk	56 54
Total received	$103 04
Paid treasurer school board	46 50
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1897	$56 54

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Deficit in treasury Feb. 15, 1897	$423 49
Due from the state bounty on hawks	4 25
Smith N. Welch, collector for 1894	16 99
" " " 1895	249 58
" " " 1896	584 89
Available assets	$855 71

Due from United States bounties.....$914 80
The town owes the Barnard school fund note..... $2000 00
Amount of dog money on hand Feb. 15, 1897.....$56 54

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK M. JEWELL, Treasurer.

Auditors' Report.

South Hampton, Feb. 17, 1897.

We, the Auditors of the town of South Hampton, do hereby certify that we have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Road Agents and Trustees of Free Public Library of said town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACOB EATON,
FRANK O. TOWLE, } Auditors.

Annual Report

OF THE

School Board of South Hampton.

In accordance with the provisions of the statutes of New Hampshire the school board present their annual report.

It is with much pleasure that we report the condition of the schools, the ability and faithfulness of the teachers, the hearty co-operation of all concerned, and the progress made the past year. The school board having visited the schools frequently from the commencement to close report the progress worthy of much praise to teachers and scholars.

The discipline in the schools has been all that could be required, and the examinations have proved thoroughness of the work, the scholars being able to explain quite thoroughly questions coming in range of their recitations.

We feel confident the schools were never in better condition or a more unanimity of general interest and good feeling than at the present time, and under these circumstances it would seem unadvisable to adopt the old pernicious practice of changing teachers at the commencement of every year, if the same could be secured.

There is a marked difference in the schools taught by the same teacher through the year. It is quite a part of the work of the teacher in a single term to learn the dispositions of the different pupils and to learn their capacity for work.

In change of teachers much time is lost in this respect, also in arranging the pupils in their studies to the best advantage.

In the interest of education we are in hopes that all will be found working through the next school year with the same earnestness, and under the same favorable circumstances.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

The first term was taught by Mrs. Addie F. Cotton. With the school again under her charge we felt confident of success. Mrs. Cotton fully sustained the reputation she gained in this school last year. We regretted that she was unable to continue her services through the year.

The second and third terms were taught by Miss Blanche M. Carr, a graduate from kinder-garten training school, Newburyport. Miss Carr's easy and practical methods of imparting instruction and governing her school were successful, and gained the respect of both pupils and parents.

By the ability and faithfulness of its teachers this school is gaining to a high standard.

UPPER VILLAGE SCHOOL.

This school has been under the charge of Miss Mary L. Palmer, a graduate of Sanborn Seminary.

This was Miss Palmer's first experience in teaching. She entered into her work with energy and with a determination to succeed. The board were well pleased with the appearance of the school and the recitations, especially the reading exercises in which there has been a great improvement.

EAST VILLAGE.

This school has been under the instruction of Miss Winnifred M. Brown, the past six terms. In this school may be seen the advantage gained by retaining the same teacher for a consecutive number of terms, whenever they are giving perfect satisfaction to all concerned. The school having made rapid progress the entire six terms.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

Pupils not absent for the year.

Alvin L. Cotton, Belle Akerley,
Frank B. Palmer, Nellie A. D. Towle,
Foster Towle.

Pupils not absent for two terms.

Alice E. Anderson, Bertha H. Morrill,
Walter G. Palmer, Guy W. Smith,
Arthur Batchelder, J. Ella Follansbee,
Mabel R. Morrill, Willis J. Evans.

Pupils not absent for one term.

Walter I. Downing, Edith H. Meggison,
Abbie E. Anderson, Dora I. Jewell,
Eddie Holder, Fred Merrill,
Bertha C. Downing, Edward D. French,
Charlie Batchelder.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK O. TOWLE,
GRACE E. EVANS,
MARY O. PALMER,
School Board of South Hampton.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand March 1st, 1896	$ 13 30
From the selectmen, appropriation for schools	500 00
appropriations for books and supplies	50 00
dog tax and license money	46 50
literary fund	47 60
appropriation for painting school house	40 00
	$697 40

EXPENDITURES.

Centre School.

Paid	Mrs. E. S. Cotton, for teaching 11 weeks	$ 71 50
	Blanche Carr, for teaching 19 weeks	123 50
	E. F. Morrill, fitting wood	2 20
	E. H. Cotton, 16¼ hours' labor on grounds of Centre schoolhouse	1 96
	Walter Downing, janitor 1 term	1 00
	Smith N. Welch, 2½ cords pine wood	9 38
	G. B. Palmer, grading and other work	5 00
	Roscoe Morrill, 1 cord walnut wood	6 00
		$220 54

Upper Village School.

Paid	Mary L. Palmer, for teaching 29 3-5 weeks	$192 40
	S. M. Prescott, 1 cord birch wood	3 50
	" " fitting wood	1 00
	" " cash paid George Greenleaf, fitting wood	50
	Smith N. Welch, 1 cord pine wood	3 50
		$200 90

Peak School.

Paid	Winifred Brown, for teaching 30 weeks	$195 00
	Frank O. Towle, 3½ cords wood	10 50
	Foster Towle, janitor 3 terms	3 00
	" " fitting wood	2 00
		$210 50

Books and Supplies.

Paid	Hale Flanders, for school supplies	$ 8 07
	Rand McNally, geographies	7 22
	Ginn & Co., books	5 92
	Silver, Burdett & Co., copy-books	8 00
	American Express Co	90
	Money orders, etc	26
		$30 37

Repairs.

Paid T. D. Nelson, for oil and lead	$19 40
Charles Goodale, painting on Centre schoolhouse	9 75
" " rope for flagstaff	35
Charles Ham, painting on Centre schoolhouse	6 00
M. Palmer, boarding painters	2 00
J. W. Allen, padlock	25
	$37 75
Received from Barnard school fund for paint	2 68
Total for repairs	$35 07

Financial Statement.

Whole amount received	$697 40
Whole amount paid out	697 38
Cash on hand	02

MARY O. PALMER, Treasurer.

SOUTH HAMPTON, N. H., Feb. 17, 1897.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the School Board and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACOB EATON,
GEORGE B. PALMER, } Auditors.

	CENTRE VILLAGE.				UPPER VILLAGE.				EAST VILLAGE.			
	1st Term.	*2d Term.*	*3d Term.*	*Year.*	*1st Term*	*2d Term.*	*3d Term.*	*Year.*	*1st Term.*	*2d Term.*	*3d Term.*	*Year.*
No. of weeks of school	11	10	10	31	11	10	8.6	29.6	12	10	8	30
Pupils attending two weeks or more	30	24	22	33	14	17	16	17	9	8	9	10
Boys attending two weeks or more	14	10	9	17	8	9	9	9	5	4	5	6
Girls attending two weeks or more	16	14	13	16	6	8	7	8	4	4	4	4
Average number of pupils	25	23	22	23	14	17	15	15	8	8	9	9
Per cent. daily attendance	.96	.88	.90	.91	.79	.76	.73	.76	.87	.87	.88	.87
Pupils not absent	10	8	8	3	2	0	1	0	1	4	5	1
Visits by school board	4	3	2	9	7	4	2	13	3	2	1	6
Visits by parents and friends	15	4	12	31	17	4	6	27	5	7	0	12
Teachers' wages per month	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26	$26
No. in Reading	30	23	22	33	14	17	16	17	9	8	9	10
No. in Spelling	30	23	22	33	14	17	16	17	9	8	9	10
No. in Arithmetic	30	23	22	33	14	17	16	17	9	8	9	10
No. in Geography	20	18	18	20	10	12	11	12	9	8	9	10
No. in Grammar	17	18	18	18	7	8	7	8	7	6	7	8
No. in History	4	3	3	4	5	5	4	5	7	6	3	7
No. in Physiology	17	18	18	18	8	9	9	9	3	3	2	3
No. in Penmanship	30	23	22	33	10	17	16	17	9	8	9	10
No. in Composition	0	3	3	3	7	8	7	8	0	6	7	7
No. in Algebra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4

Fifth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Public Library.

The Public Library continues to be well patronized and the trustees feel that the wisdom of its establishment has been fully confirmed.

The following list of books have been purchased during the year:

End of the World	1 Vol.
Jane Eyre	1 "
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	1 "
We and Our Neighbors	1 "
Lives of the Queens of England	8 "
Ascutney Street	1 "
Faith Gartney's Girlhood	1 "
Hitherto	1 "
W. T. Sherman's Memoirs	2 "
A. J. Gordon's Life	1 "
Abraham Lincoln's Life	1 "
History of Confederate States	1 "
Locke Amsden	1 "
Andrew's History of United States	2 "
Kate Carnegie	1 "
Stephen Mitchell's Journey	1 "
Making Fate	1 "
Sir George Tressady	2 "
Sweet Clover	1 "
Daughters of the Revolution	1 "
Barrabbas	1 "
A Singular Life	1 "
The Supply at St. Agatha	1 "

The Bow of Orange Ribbon	1 Vol.
Army Wife	1 "
Captain Blake	1 "
A Young Girl's Life in Virginia	1 "
The Kentucky Carnival	1 "
Aftermath	1 "
Clarence	1 "
Titus	1 "
Eliza Pickney	1 "
Sea Tales	5 "
Livingston and Stanley	1 "
Bivouac and Battle	1 "
Brave Old Salt	1 "
Yankee Middy	1 "
Old Fashioned Girl	1 "
Under the Lilacs	1 "
Chrissy's Endeavor	1 "
	54 Vols.

The following books have been donated:

Manchester Up to Date	1 Vol.
Childe Harolde	1 "
	2 vols.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. R. JEWELL,
LIZZIE H. FORSAITH,
MARY E. JEWELL,
} Trustees of Public Library.

South Hampton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1897.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

For the year ending Feb. 1st, 1897.

Whole number of books given out	890
Fiction	661
History	52
Biography	30
Voyages	42
Science	1
Dramatic	5
Miscellaneous	99

Amount of fines received, 60 cents.

EVA A. JEWELL,
BLANCHE M. CARR, } Librarians.

South Hampton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1897.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

For the year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1896	$	65
Received of selectmen, library appropriation	50	00
Received from the librarian, fines		60
Rebate on books 1896, from J. F. Johnson		38
	$51	63
Paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., for 54 books	$49	83
Freight on books from Boston		25
Money order and postage		20
Express from Manchester		15
Cash on hand	1	20
	$51	63

LIZZIE H. FORSAITH, Treasurer.

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

TO BE HELD MARCH 9, 1897, AT 9 OF THE CLOCK A. M.

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1. To hear report of Auditors, Agents or Committees, or any other officers, and take action on the same.

2. To choose Town Clerk, Selectmen, Treasurer and Collector of taxes, for the ensuing year.

3. To raise money for highways and bridges and elect agents to expend the same.

4. To raise money for usual town charges, and what sum, if any, toward payment of town debt.

5. To raise money for support of schools.

6. To raise money for Free Public Library and choose one trustee for three years.

7. To choose all other necessary town officers, agents and committees for the ensuing year.

8. To see if the town will dispense with the Liquor Agency.

9. To see what discount the town will vote for prompt payment of taxes.

10. To see if the town will vote repair the schoolhouse at the East village and raise money for same.

11. To see if the town will vote build a woodshed for the school at the East village and raise money for same.

12. To see if the town will vote to build an iron bridge at Jewell's mill and raise money for same.

13. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and improvement of the cemeteries the coming year.

14. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money if necessary.

VITAL STATISTICS, 1896.

BIRTHS Registered in the Town of South Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Name of Child.	Birthplace.	Date of Birth.	Sex.	Condition.	Color.	Names of Parents,	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Color of Parents.	Reported by
Josephine E. Smith.	South Hampton.	Feb. 8.	Female.	Living.	White.	Hiram P. Smith.	South Hampton.	Blacksmith.	Walden, Vt.	White.	D. D. Murphy, M. D., Amesbury, Mass.
					White.	Mary E. Travers.		Housewife.	Merrimac, Mass.	White.	
Francis M. Wilson.	South Hampton.	Feb. 27.	Female.	Living.	White.	Perry C. Wilson.	South Hampton.	Mechanic.	New Brunswick.	White.	C. S. Stanley, M. D., Amesbury, Mass.
					White.	Jennie M. ——		Housewife.	New Brunswick.	White.	
Warren Albert Morrill.	South Hampton.	Mar. 25.	Male.	Living.	White.	Wallace B. Morrill.	South Hampton.	Farmer.	Leomaster, Mass.	White.	John W. Rand, M. D., Amesbury, Mass.
					White.	Edith M. Follansbee.		Housewife.	South Hampton.	White.	
Harold Nelson Preble.	South Hampton.	Dec. 1.	Male.	Living.	White.	Joseph L. Preble.	South Hampton.	Carriage Wood-worker.	West Amesbury, Mass.	White.	
					White.	Neva E. Giles.		Housewife.	East Kingston, N. H.	White.	

MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of South Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
March 7.	South Hampton.	Joseph L. Preble.	South Hampton.	26 yrs.	White.	Carriage Wood-worker.	Merrimac, Mass.	John W Preble.	West Newbury, Mass.	Farmer.	Single	Rev. E. S. Cotton, (C.)
		Neva E. Giles.	South Hampton.	19 yrs.	White.	At home.	East Kingston, N. H.	Abby D. Davis.	Derry, N. H.	Housewife.	First.	South Hampton, N. H.
								George S. Giles.		Butcher.		
								Selome D. Parker.	East Kingston, N. H.	Housewife.		
Sept. 28.	South Hampton.	Charles R. Jewell.	South Hampton.	28 yrs.	White.	Bank Clerk.	South Hampton	Benj. R. Jewell.	Amesbury, Mass.	Secretary.	Single.	Rev. E. S. Cotton, (C.)
		Eva A. Carr.	South Hampton.	24 yrs.	White.	At Home.	Fremont, N. H.	Olive M. Eaton.	South Hampton.	Housewife.	First.	South Hampton, N. H.
								James M. Carr.	Sandown, N. H.	Farmer.		
								Abbie J. Blaisdell.	Raymond, N. H.	Housewife.		

DEATHS Registered in the Town of South Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Name.	Age. Years.	Mo.	Days.	Sex.	Color.	Condition.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Disease or Cause of Death.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.
George W. Babson.	77	8		Male.	White.	Married.	Ship Carpenter.	Sedgwick, Maine.	South Hampton.	Feb. 18.	Phthisis	Abraham Babson.	Sedgwick, Maine.
												Lydia Babson.	Newburyport, Mass.
Mary S. Chase.	72	9	8	Female.	White.	Married.	Housewife.	Hampstead, N. H.	South Hampton.	March 16.	Fatty Degeneration of the Heart.	Samuel Morse.	Hamstead, N. H.
Abel D. Brown.	73	3	9	Male.	White.	Married.	Farmer.	Exeter, N. H.	South Hampton.	April 5.	Appoplexy.	Anna Paige.	Danville N. H.
												Abel Brown.	East Kingston, N. H.
David Kimball.	71	5	15	Male.	White.	Widowed.	Farmer.	Northfield, N. H.	South Hampton.	April 19.	Congestion of the Lungs.	Elizabeth Dean.	Exeter, N. H.
												David Kimball.	
Susan M. Cate.	77	11	16	Female.	White.	Widowed.	Housewife.	Stratham, N. H.	South Hampton.	June 12.	Consumption and Organic Disease of Heart.	Mary Carr.	
												Henry Pattle.	Stratham, N. H.
Rebecca M. Sawyer.	89	6		Female.	White.	Single.	Housekeeper.	South Hampton.	South Hampton.	July 25.	Meningitis.	Rachel Sinclair.	Stratham, N. H.
												Israel Sawyer.	South Hampton.
Leslie T. French.	15	11	10	Male.	White.	Single.	Farmer.	South Hampton.	South Hampton.	Aug. 17.	Cholera Morbus.	Mary Gallison.	Newburyport, Mass.
												Frederick B. French.	South Hampton.
Samuel T. Woodman.	59			Male.	White.	Single.	Farmer.	Salisbury, Mass.	South Hampton.	Dec. 5.	Compression of the Brain by Hemorrhage.	Minnie Lougee.	Epping, N. H.
												John C. Woodman.	Amesbury, Mass.
												Judith S. Lang.	Amesbury, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE M. BUXTON, Town Clerk.

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